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TO: All Cigarette Vending Machine Operators and Licensees

SUBJECT: Labeling of Cigarette Vending Machines

Section 16-209 of the Business Regulation Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland and Section D of Comptroller of the Treasury Regulation 03.02.03.04 provide that a licensee who sells cigarettes at retail through a vending machine must display on each machine:

- An identification label that indicates the licensee's name, address, and telephone number, and
- A label provided by the comptroller concerning the age requirements for the purchase of cigarettes and applicable penalties.

The required identification label is to be provided by the licensee and must be affixed to each vending machine in a permanent and conspicuous manner. The age warning label has recently been revised and a new label is enclosed for use on your machine. If you hold a Cigarette Vending Machine Operator's license, a supply of labels is enclosed based on the number of machines listed on your most recent license application. The old labels are obsolete and should be destroyed.

Any old labels currently affixed to machines should be removed and a new label affixed.

Effective *August 1, 1999*, all cigarette vending machines in Maryland must have the new warning label affixed and be properly identified with the licensee's name, address, and telephone number. In accordance with Section 16-220 of the Business Regulation Article, licensees who fail to comply with these provisions are subject to having the affected vending machines sealed by representatives of the Comptroller's Office. Repeated non-compliance could result in suspension or revocation of a cigarette license as provided by Section 16-210 of the Business Regulation Article.

If you have any questions or require additional warning labels, please contact this office at 410-260-7314.

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Enclosure(s)

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